Leasing of lands from the reserve forest for cultivation of food crops.

76. *MR. K. S. SEBASTIAN (*Changanacherry* cum *Peermade*): Will the Government be pleased to state:

(*a*) the total number of acres that are leased out from the reserve forest for the cultivation of food crops in the years 1117 and 1118;

(*b*) what are the terms of the said leases in each forest division; and

(*c*) what is the area which is at present under actual cultivation?

RAO BAHADUR T. V. VENKATESWARA AIYAR:

(*a*) 1117 ... 351 acres approximately.
1118 ... 5,547 acres do.

(*b*) The terms are the same in all divisions and are published in the respective sale notices (*vide* terms published on pages 253 and 254 of the Forest Sheet in the Government Gazette dated 5-1-1943/21-5-1118.)

(*c*) Most of the areas leased out are brought under cultivation.

MR. K. S. SEBASTIAN: May I know from Government what is the total area of swampy lands that is now proposed to be given on lease?

RAO BAHADUR T. V. VENKATESWARA AIYAR: About 1000 acres.

MR. PULIYOOR T. P. VELAYUDHAN PILLAI: May I know whether the area given under answer to part (*a*) of the question, *i. e.*, 4037 acres is the total area fixed for 1118?

RAO BAHADUR T. V. VENKATESWARA AIYAR: Yes, Sir.

MR. PULIYOOR T. P. VELAYUDHAN PILLAI: May I know with reference to part (*b*) of the answer, the area not under cultivation in 1118.

RAO BAHADUR T. V. VENKATESWARA AIYAR: No definite information is available but I may say that about one half of the portion is not cultivated.

MR. PULIYOOR T. P. VELAYUDHAN PILLAI: May I know the reason for not raising cultivation in the remaining area in 1118?

RAO BAHADUR T. V. VENKATESWARA AIYAR: Partly because of the rains which came before the time.

MR. G. VELU PILLAI: In answer to question No. 75 it is stated that 4037 acres have been leased out for cultivation. In answer to question No. 76 it is given as 5547 acres.

RAO BAHADUR T. V. VENKATESWARA AIYAR: The honourable member will kindly refer to question No. 75. The answer given there is the acreage under paddy cultivation. In the answer to question No. 76 the acreage under cultivation of food crops is given.

MR. G. VELU PILLAI: May I know what the other crops are?

RAO BAHADUR T. V. VENKATESWARA AIYAR: Tapioca mainly.

MR. K. P. KOCHUKORA THARAKAN (*Kunnatnad* cum *Parur*): പാർട്ട് എ. എ എ ട-ൽ ന ി എ ഏക്കർ കൃഷിക്ക കൊടുത്തിട്ടുള്ള തായി പറയുന്ന സ്ഥലത്തു മുഴുവനും കൃഷി നടത്തിയിട്ടുണ്ടോ?

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RAO BAHADUR T. V. VENKATESWARA AIYAR : ഉണ്ട്.

MR. K. P. KOCHUKORA THARAKAN : അതിൽനിന്ന് എന്തുമാത്രം നെല്ലോ മറ്റു സാധനങ്ങളോ വിളവായി കിട്ടിയിട്ടുണ്ട് ?

RAO BAHADUR T. V. VENKATESWARA AIYAR : ൧൯൪൩-ൽ കൊടുത്തതു നെൽകൃഷിക്കല്ല.

MR. K. P. KOCHUKORA THARAKAN : മറ്റെന്തു കൃഷിയ്ക്കാണ് ൧൯൪൩-ൽ കൊടുത്തത് ?

RAO BAHADUR T. V. VENKATESWARA AIYAR : മരച്ചീനിക്കാണ്.

MR. K. P. KOCHUKORA THARAKAN : ൧൯൪൩-ൽ നെൽകൃഷിക്ക് സ്ഥലം ഒട്ടും കൊടുത്തിട്ടില്ലേ?

RAO BAHADUR T. V. VENKATESWARA AIYAR : പുതിയ സമ്പ്രദായപ്രകാരം കൊടുത്തിട്ടില്ല.

MR. K. DOMINIC JOSEPH (*Vaikom cum Kottayam*): What is the total area that is proposed to be made available for cultivaion in 1118?

RAO BAHADUR T. V. VENKATESWARA AIYAR : As much as we are able to survey out of 30,000 acres which have been estimated.

MR. K. P. KOCHUKORA THARAKAN : ൧൯൪൨-ൽ കൊടുത്തതു ഗവണ്മെന്റു ഗസറ്റിൽ പരസ്യംചെയ്തിട്ടുള്ളതായി പറയുന്നു. ഇതിൽ ലേലംചെയ്തു കൊടുത്തതും കോവാപ്പറേറീവ് സൊസൈറ്റികൾക്കും മറ്റു സാമുദായികസംഘടനകൾക്കും കൊടുത്തതും ഒരേ വ്യവസ്ഥപ്രകാരമാണോ?

RAO BAHADUR T. V. VENKATESWARA AIYAR : അതെ.

MR. PULIYOOR T. P. VELAYUDHAN PILLAI : May I know whether this 351 acres are leased out under taungya system?

RAO BAHADUR T. V. VENKATESWARA AIYAR : Yes Sir.

MR. PULIYOOR T. P. VELAYUDHAN PILLAI : May I know whether Government are aware that this area was also made available for raising paddy?

RAO BAHADUR T. V. VENKATESWARA AIYAR : No, Sir.

MR. K. S. SEBASTIAN : May I know the approximate area that has been cultivated out of this?

MR. PULIYOOR T. P. VELAYUDHAN PILLAI : That is given under answer part (*c*) to question No. 76.

Expenditure by the Department for the Uplift of Backward Communities.

77. *MR. KAVIYOOR K. K. KOCHUKUNJU (*Nominated*): Will the Government be pleased to state the total amount spent by the Department for the uplift of the Pulayas, Parayas and Kuravas and the total amount spent for the other backward communities from Chingom 1117 to Mithunam 1118?

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